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## ANOTHER PRIZE GIVEN

### A Set of Spoons Given Away Next Week

The managers of the big piano contest have decided to give another prize, which will be a set of Roger Bros. tea spoons. This will be awarded to the contestant making the greatest gain between January 3 and January 10. The winners of former prizes are again barred from competing for this special prize, which is on display this week in the windows of the Taylor Drug Store.

At the count Wednesday the standing was as follows:

Maude Saunders	250,870
Vanda Cross	184,270
Susie Ellsesser	63,790
Ethel Hantia	76,315
Clara Childers	31,510
Mrs. S. B. McCamant	87,080
Amy Howies	25,400
Freda Harris	19,500
Opal Jannison	14,095
Laura Wood	15,830
Sarah Lane	10,510
Ida Hayes	8,510
Rena Roohar	6,700
Bulah Stampor	8,390
Ruby Hamilton	6,900
Jennie Karau	6,040
Mary Akera	6,400
Grace Gleason	6,970
Vivia Jones	8,960
Bessie Odneal	6,170
Clara Woods	3,670
Alene Cleaman	4,490
Minnie Swink	3,650
Gertrude Carpenter	4,010
Anna Vaughn	8,730
Dott Briley	2,280
Miss Brier	4,330
Miss Bryant	5,030
Gertrude Andrews	3,940
Elsie Montgomery	6,930
Dessa Prinz	6,550
Mae Galsion	2,340
Elma Wilson	1,800
Minnie McCoid	3,320
Miss Sinclair	2,220
Audra Garkin	6,600
Archib Fields	7,470
La. Egan Wilkins	3,320
Mamie Wartenbee	5,440
Carrie Reed	4,070
Zola Weidensaul	5,860
Lottie Finley	4,030
Miss Letta Rhodes	1,250
Nideara Riggles	3,170
Sarah Thompson	8,700
Gladys Long	1,680
Roma Ragsdale	1,250
Lizzie McLarty	1,230
Flossie May	2,100
May Anderson	2,000
Ida Wilhelm	3,300
Kate Wright	3,670

### Rev. J. H. Agee Leaves Liberal

The Baptist church of Liberal loses a valuable and able pastor this week in the departure of Rev. J. H. Agee who has accepted a call from the church at Harrison, Arkansas. Rev. Agee has made a number of friends here during the past year, who regret the loss of such a citizen, yet wish him well in his new field.

### Christian Church Aid Meets

The Christian church Aid Society will meet, Wednesday, January 17, at the home of Mrs. L. H. Sutton, at 2:30 P. M., to elect officers and reorganize the work of the society. We feel like every woman who belongs or attends the Christian church, ought to attend this meeting. Please come.

Minnie J. Grinstead, V. Pres.

Misses Edna and Maud George, who are students at the Presbyterian College for young women at Milford, Texas, left to take up their studies Thursday.

Mr. Lawson, of the real estate firm of Lawson & Wright of Beaver City, was in town last Friday en route to Hutchinson, to spend New Year's with his wife, who is visiting at the home of her mother

Thos. Lowe of Olpe, Kansas, was here to spend the holidays with his parents. Mr. Lowe is well known to many people here as he was born and raised in Seward county. He is a graduate of the State Agricultural College and is now in the creamery business at Olpe.

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### New Year Party

Miss Rita and Miss Mildred Feather entertained the following guests at a New Year Party last Monday evening: Misses Hazel Ward, Desta Crackel, Dolly Hill, Anna Vaughn and Freda Harris, Messrs. Harry Crackel, Archie Miller, Ross Telford and Claude Bunyard.

The party met at the Feather home about eight o'clock, then all marched to the Palace and watched the proceedings of Mutt and Jeff then the rest of the evening was spent in games and at a late hour, Mrs. Feather served a delightful New Year's supper. The table was decorated for the occasion and at each place, besides the place cards was the resolution of each, tied up in a nut shell. The resolutions were read at the table, which created much merriment. The table was spread with good things and it seemed there were nuts, apples and candy in every corner of the house. Misses Harris and Vaughn brightened the evening with music and song and all departed wishing each a Happy New Year.

### Entertains Beethoven Music Club

Mrs. Len H. Sutton was hostess to the Beethoven Music Club, at home Tuesday evening. The following program was rendered.

Liszt was the composer whose biography and life sketches as a man, composer and artist were studied and discussed. Two of his compositions were rendered. The Veungian Regatta by Mrs. J. F. Funk and The Evening Star by Mrs. F. V. Cason. A selection from Leyback by Mrs. O. M. Woods. Mrs. Kennedy of Norton Kansas, and Mrs. E. Brown of Pueblo, Colorado were the out of town guests. Delicious refresh-

ments were served after which the Club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Jennie Karau January 15th.

### Sleighting Party

Miss Irene Vickers was hostess to a sleighing party on Tuesday evening from eight to ten in honor of her brother Aldwrid who returned to K. U. Thursday. After the ride the party was served with a hot luncheon at the home of the hostess. Everyone present had a most enjoyable time. The party consisted of: Mrs. Smith, the Misses Jordan, Miss Christman, Miss Vickers, Aldwrid Vickers, Paul Funk, Clyde Commons, Solon Smith and Archie Croslin.

Dr. Fee of Mende was a business visitor here last Friday.

Miss Anna Gray was up from Guyton last week to spend a few days with relatives.

Mrs. Royer and children, of Leona, Kansas, who have been visiting Mrs. Weidensaul, returned to their home Tuesday.

Misses Bess and Frances Armstrong, who have been the guests of the Mrs. Craigs, returned to Kansas City Tuesday.

An elegant five course dinner was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Vickers on December 25th. Covers were laid for twelve.

Beaver City has decided to make the best of it, even if the new railroad is not going there. In last week's paper we read that they are to have a new high school building costing \$7,280.75, the new building to be completed on or about May 17, 1912. Besides the high school, Beaver has already established a Postal Savings Bank.

### W. C. T. U. Notes

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union meets Wednesday, January 10, at 3 p. m., at the home of Mrs. T. B. Moore. All members are urged to attend and friends are welcome. If you are interested in the vital bettering of life, come. If you believe in a life without the stain of drink, come.

If you believe in the prohibitory law and its enforcement, come.

Conditions, locally, need fixing and we want all women who are for the best there is in life, to come. We have a committee to solicit funds for a public drinking fountain which we hope to establish in our city this year.

Minnie J. Grinstead, Pres.

Miss Edith Dugan gave a card party to a number of her friends last Friday evening.

J. H. Agee of the Baptist church delivered his farewell sermon here last Sunday. He leaves to take up the work of the Baptist church in Harrison, Arkansas.

Last Saturday Lee Woods was thrown from a hay rack, the team to which it was hitched running away. He was considerably shaken up and sustained some bad bruises.

Mareta Brown, who is spending the winter with her aunt, Mrs. D. L. Longenecker of this city, went to Kansas City last week to visit a few days with her mother, Mrs. Cordia Brown.

T. J. Smith and family and H. G. Clark and family were invited to the wedding of Ira Hanner and Miss Linnie Mills of Stevens county, but they could not attend on account of the weather.

## A STANDPATTER

### Newspaper Files Tell About Martin

A very interesting feature of the present congressional campaign, is the length to which W. Y. Morgan has gone in the Hutchinson News to support Martin. However, the campaign of the News is indeed ridiculous when one compares the present attitude of that paper toward the republican candidate, with that of 1909. It also shows that Billy Morgan doesn't make his campaigns on principals or men, but merely for the sake of politics. W. Y. Morgan's interest is political and perhaps personal. After reading an editorial in the Hutchinson News, it is a pretty good antidote to read one taken from the same paper in 1909, when Martin, the present republican nominee for congress was running for re-election as Mayor of Hutchinson.

"There are a great many voters in Hutchinson who were not here when Judge Martin was mayor. They should ask the business men who were here then. They will learn that under Judge Martin the city quit sprinkling the streets and will hear the story of the parade of the business men down Main street with watering cans. When it rained Main street was deep with mud and little ponds stood here and there over which signs were posted, "No Fishing." They will learn of the "occupation tax" which Mayor Martin proposed to put on business. They will learn from laboring men of the low wages and insufficient street force. The story of the Martin administration is never told by the supporters of the Martin ticket and the judge himself is proceeding on the theory that the statute of limitations ought to apply and the whole thing be forgotten."

And here is another which appeared in the News on April 1st, 1909:

"The supporters of Judge Martin make their only real argument

on the statement that Judge Martin will "clean up" the town. That was the argument when he was elected before and because he failed to keep his promise he was turned down. Bootlegging and vice of all kinds were notoriously prevalent. All improvement of the city was stopped, street work suspended, servile homage paid to the waterworks company, store buildings were vacant, street sprinkling stopped and the illegal sale of liquor and vice went right on. That is the kind of a spread to which the people of Hutchinson are again invited. The only hope of their acceptance is that six years may make some folks forget and that the new people of the city will not know."

And yet another merry quip from the same issue of the News.

"So far in this campaign there has been general good feeling. Nobody has been angry, except Judge Martin, and he only took that tack to stir up his faction. When the judge called one-half the men in town "liars" and "frame-uppers" he was only playing politics. Of course he blundered in doing so, but the judge is rather notorious for his blunders. In all the injunction suits and spite suits he has brought against the city of Hutchinson he has only made one stick, the one in which he was attorney for the old waterworks company when it was trying to kill off the new electric light plant and street railroad by enjoining the help voted by the city. Some people may have forgotten this suit. It was when the city was in a fight for cheap light and power and a street railway. Judge Martin was attorney for the old company in an effort to defeat the city and break down the new company. He won his suit, but he failed to break the organization of active and patriotic citizens who were determined to have cheap light and electric railway."

All of which merely leads us back to the original proposition that the principles of the warring factions are but skin deep with the leaders. That they are deeper with the masses will be shown in the election of Geo. Neeley on Jan. 9th.

## THOS. L. HIGGINBOTHAM, M.D.

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